

RFW



PATENT
8017-1108

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Toshiaki NAKAMURA

Conf. 7297

Application No. 10/706,075

Group 2851

Filed November 13, 2003

DOCUMENT CAMERA

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the cited documents are made of record on the enclosed PTO Form-1449.

As the USPTO has waived the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and patent publication for applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. references are not enclosed, as the present application is filed after June 30, 2003. Copies of the cited foreign patent documents and/or non-patent literature are enclosed.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were cited by the European Patent Office in the corresponding European Application Serial

Docket No. 8017-1108
Appln. No. 10/706,075

No. EP 03 02 6737. A copy of the European Search Report in which they were cited is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

YOUNG & THOMPSON

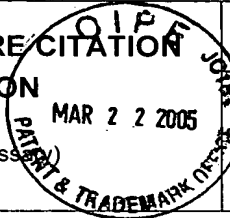


Benoit Castel, Reg. No. 35,041
745 South 23rd Street
Arlington, VA 22202
Telephone (703) 521-2297
Telefax (703) 685-0573
(703) 979-4709

BC/psf
March 22, 2005

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION

(Use several sheets if necessary.)



Attorney Docket No.:
8017-1108

Application No.:
10/706,075

Applicant:
Toshiaki NAKAMURA

Filing Date:
November 13, 2003

Group Art Unit:
2851

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing date (if appropriate)
	3,816,654	06/11/1974	BRIGHTMAN			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Translation	
						Yes	No
	EP 0 984 319 A1	03/08/2000	EPO				
	EP 1 022 608 A1	07/26/2000	EPO				
	2000-138856 (English Abstract)	05/16/2000	Japan				
	JP 10 145667 (English Abstract only)	05/29/1998	Japan				
	EP 0 563 737 A1	10/6/1993	EPO				
	JP 04 023575 A (English Abstract)	01/27/1992	EPO				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER:

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the applicant.

* Abstract provided for the Examiner's convenience